

HOUSE BILL 3501  
By Eldridge

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 68,  
Chapter 32, relative to blood donations.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 68, Chapter 32, Part 1, is amended by  
inserting a new, appropriately designated section as follows:

§ 68-32-1\_\_.

(1) "Hospital" has the meaning given in § 68-11-201(23).

(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of § 68-32-101, the principal prenatal health care provider of a woman who is known to be pregnant shall, before the woman's thirty-fifth week of pregnancy, offer her information on options to donate, to an accepting and accredited cord blood bank, blood bank, blood center, or plasma center, blood extracted from the umbilical cord of her newborn child, if the donation may be made without monetary expense for the collection or storage to the woman, to any third party payor of health care coverage for the woman, or to the hospital in which delivery occurs.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect on October 1, 2006, the public welfare requiring it.